

REMARKS

Claims 1, 7, 9 and 11 have been amended and claims 12 and 13 are new. Support for the amendments to claims 1, 7, and 11-13 may be found at least in claims 7, 9 and 11 which have been indicated as being allowable on page 7 of the Detailed Action. Applicants gratefully acknowledge the same and thus believe the application is condition for allowance. No new matter has been introduced.

Claims 1 and 7-13 are currently pending and under consideration. Reconsideration is respectfully requested.

112 Rejections of claims 1 and 7-11:

At pages 2 and 3 of the Detailed Action, claims 1 and 7-11 were rejected under 35 U.S.C. 112, second paragraph. Claims 1, 7 and 11 have been amended to render any rejection thereto moot. In particular, independent claim 1 has been amended, and similarly in independent claims 7 and 11, to clearly disclose the positions of films relative to each other to obviate the rejection. Thus, withdrawal of the 112 rejections is respectfully requested.

103(a) Rejections of claims 1, 8 and 10:

At page 4, claims 1, 8 and 10 were rejected under 103(a) as being unpatentable over Winker et al. (U.S. Patent No. 5, 504, 603) in view of Arakawa (U.S. Patent No. 6, 812,983) and evidenced by Yaroschuk et al. (U.S. Patent No. 6,822,713). The rejections are respectfully traversed.

Regarding the 103(a) rejections of claims 1, 8 and 10, independent claim 1, from which claims 8 and 10 depend, has been amended to recite the allowable subject matter indicated with respect to claim 7, thus rendering the rejection to claim 1 moot.

Thus, withdrawal of the 103 rejections is respectfully requested.

CONCLUSION:

All of the rejections are respectfully submitted as herein overcome. In view of the foregoing, it is respectfully submitted that the instant application is in condition for allowance. No new matter is added by way of the present Amendments and Remarks, as support is found throughout the original filed specification, claims and drawings. Prompt issuance of Notice of Allowance is respectfully requested.

The Examiner is invited to contact Applicants' representatives at the below listed phone number regarding this response or otherwise concerning the present application.

Applicants hereby petition for any necessary extension of time required under 37 C.F.R. 1.136(a) or 1.136(b) which may be required for entry and consideration of the present Reply.

If there are any charges due with respect to this Amendment or otherwise, please charge them to Deposit Account No. 06-1130 maintained by Applicants' attorneys.

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